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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the application of: Matthew L. Bisque et al.

Serial Number: 10/041,971

Art Unit: 2179

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For: SYSTEM FOR OPERATING AN ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY OVER A  
NETWORK

**AMENDMENT UNDER C.F.R. 1.111**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents

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Sir:

Responsive to a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal filed with this Amendment, please see the following amendment to the specifications on page 1 of the subject patent application.

**STATUS OF THE APPLICATION**

A Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due was mailed from the Patent Office on November 16, 2006. The issue fee is due on or before February 16, 2007.

**IN THE SPECIFICATIONS**

Enclosed is an amendment to page 1 of the specifications adding a reference to a provisional patent application filed on January 29, 2001 by the subject inventors. The amendment to page 1 is marked "Replacement Page". Also enclosed is a copy of the provisional application's filing receipt marked "Exhibit A" verifying the filing of this application. Please substitute this Replacement Page for the current page 1 in the application.